

ATTEST: *Helen M. Heneghan*

MAYOR AND COUNCIL
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND
Meeting No. 8-88

February 22, 1988

The Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, convened in General Session in the Council Chamber, Rockville City Hall, Maryland Avenue at Vinson Street, Rockville, Maryland, on Monday, February 22, 1988, at 7:32 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Douglas M. Duncan

Councilman James Coyle

Councilwoman Viola Hovsepian

Councilman Dave Robbins

ABSENT

Councilman Steve Abrams

The Mayor in the Chair.

In attendance: Acting City Manager Rick Kuckkahn, City Attorney Paul Glasgow, and City Clerk Helen M. Heneghan.

Re: City Manager's Report

Acting City Manager Rick Kuckkahn reported the following:

1. Mr. Joe Coates is now serving as finance consultant in the Department of Finance. Mr. Coates has over 30 years of local government management experience, and was most recently assistant County Administrator in Bedford County, Virginia. Mr. Coates' service was made possible through a new program of the International City Management Association called the Interim Managers Service, which was created to provide municipalities with transitional managers who have local government experience. Mr. Coates will work three days per week through at least May 27.

2. There will be a public discussion of the City's gypsy moth suppression program on Thursday evening February 25. The meeting will be held in the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre.

3. Ceremonies dedicating the locker room addition to the Lincoln Park Community Center and renaming of the Lincoln Park park to the Clarence "Pint" Isreal Park will be held Saturday, February 27 at 11:30 a.m. An open house will be held following the dedication ceremonies.

Re: Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilwoman Hovsepian, duly seconded, and passed the minutes of Meeting No. 4-88, January 11, 1988, were approved as written.

On motion of Councilman Coyle, duly seconded, and passed the minutes of Meeting No. 5-88, January 26, 1988, were approved as written.

Re: Appointments

Mayor Duncan made the following appointments with the concurrence of the Council (Councilman Robbins abstaining from the vote of his appointment):

Sister City Incorporated - Councilman Dave Robbins, 1 year term
17 Lodge Drive
(Mayor and Council representative)

Gary D. Funkhouser, 1 year term
1037 Carnation Drive

Re: Citizens Forum

At this time the Mayor opened the meeting to those citizens who wished to address the Mayor and Council. There being no citizens wishing to address the Mayor and Council, the Mayor and Council closed the citizens forum portion of the meeting.

Re: Award of Contract - Bid #64-88
for furnishing and delivering
cable television equipment.

The purpose of this bid is for the replacement and addition of cable

television equipment. Funding for this equipment is provided entirely through the cable franchise agreement.

There were 29 proposals sent out and 7 bids were received.

GROUP 1

VENDOR

TOTAL BID PRICE

Professional Products, Inc.	\$26,424.00
CTL Video	\$27,582.00
Peirce-Phelps, Inc.	\$28,155.00
Vox-Cam Associates, Ltd.	\$33,123.57
Wiltronix, Inc.	\$33,480.00
Modern Mass Media	\$34,350.00
Future View, Inc.	\$34,440.00

GROUP 11

VENDOR

TOTAL BID PRICE

Professional Products, Inc.	\$ 4,250.00
Peirce-Phelps, Inc.	\$ 4,435.00
CTL Video	\$ 4,800.00
Vox Cam	\$ 5,289.41
Modern Mass Media	\$ 5,299.00
Future View	\$ 5,887.00

Staff recommends an award of contract for Group 1 and Group 11 to Professional Products, Inc. in the amount of \$30,674.00.

On motion of Councilman Coyle, duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote of all present, the Mayor and Council awarded Bid #64-88, for the addition of cable television equipment to Professional Products, Inc. in the amount of \$30,674.00.

Re: Increase in Authorization for
Drive Apron Program - Project
8A12

The Drive Apron Program has been an annual tradition in the City for more than thirty years. Under this program the City constructs drive aprons for

and at the request of individual property owners, using the services of the annual concrete maintenance contractor. By Special Assessment, the full cost is levied against the improved property over a period of five years.

Based on outstanding requests and allowing for several more to come in over the next four months, it is recommended that the funding authorization be increased by \$10,000 to a total of \$20,000.

The maintenance contract specifications have been established in a way to allow the flexibility to adjust the amount of work to cover the additional aprons and the City Manager has the authority to increase the contract to cover the cost. The Mayor and Council capital funding appropriation will not be exceeded by this action. An appropriate project funding transfer will be made to cover the charges as necessary, with the funds coming from Ritchie Parkway project 1D11, which has been delayed by the Wetlands issue.

On motion of Councilman Coyle, and duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote of all present, the Mayor and Council approved the increase in authorization for the Drive Apron Program.

Re: Approval of Memo of
Understanding with State Highway
Administration, Montgomery
Avenue Reconstruction - Nelson
Street to Falls Road (City
Project 7Q11)

Montgomery Avenue is proposed for reconstruction between Adams Street and Nelson Street, with the costs for the section between Falls Road and Nelson Street shared by the Maryland State Highway Administration (MDSHA) and the City. The MDSHA will be responsible for project management. The basic funding arrangement with the MDSHA provides that the costs for normal roadway and drainage improvements would be assumed by the MDSHA and the City will pay

for any desired enhancements, and rights-of-way as needed. To satisfy the initial phase of the required agreement the MDSHA has prepared and submitted for City review and approval the Memorandum of Understanding.

Staff recommends the following actions by the Mayor and Council:

- (1) Authorize the Acting City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the Maryland State Highway Administration.
- (2) Direct the staff to prepare preliminary plans and cost estimates and schedule a special assessment public hearing for the Montgomery Avenue amenities.
- (3) Direct the staff to explore the feasibility and costs involved with eliminating a pole line on one side of Montgomery Avenue and placement of all telephone (not electric) wires underground.

On motion of Councilman Coyle, duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote of all present, the Mayor and Council approved the Montgomery Avenue Reconstruction - Nelson Street to Falls Road SHA/City Memorandum of Understanding.

Re: Approval of Fees for Redgate
Golf Course and Municipal Swim
Center.

In concurrence with the Golf Professional and the Golf Course Superintendent, staff is proposing modest fee increases for 1988 (April 1, 1988 to March 31, 1989). The proposed fees are based upon the following:

- To provide a quality municipal golf course
- To cover the entire operating expenses
- To contribute to the C.I.P. fund for rehabilitation and improvement projects (\$215,000 in FY89)
- To maintain a competitive parity with other public courses within the area.

RESIDENT ONLY Weekday Pass Book: 10 Rounds for \$99 (pay for 9/10th free)
(proof of Rockville residency required) Rockville Seniors - \$81

<u>1988 Rates</u>	<u>Now</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
18 Weekday	10.00	11.00
9 Weekday	5.50	6.00
18 Weekend/Holidays	11.00	12.00
9 Weekend/Holidays	6.00	6.50
Reserve Ticket	11.50	13.00
Jr. 18 Weekday	8.50	9.00
Jr. 9 Weekday	4.50	5.00
Sr. 18 Weekday	8.00	9.00
Sr. 9 Weekday	4.50	5.00
Women's 18 Special Tues/Thurs	8.00	9.00
Annual Pass		
Resident	\$380.00	\$418.00
Nonresident	475.00	523.00
Resident Family	590.00	649.00
Nonresident Family	730.00	803.00

(125 Annual Passes available)

Last year's members get to renew first up until March 15. Rockville residents will get two weeks' priority sales on vacant spots. After April 1, all vacant spots open to anyone.

It is recommended that effective March 1, 1988, the following proposed fees be approved for the Rockville Municipal Swim Center for FY 1988-89.

<u>Membership fees</u>	<u>1988-89 Fees</u>
Resident Family Annual	\$328
Resident Individual Annual	197
Resident Family Summer	267
Resident Individual Summer	158
Resident Family Admission Pass	71
Resident Individual Admission Pass	43
Non-Resident Family Annual	369
Non-Resident Family Summer	299
Non-Resident Indiv. Annual	220
Non-Resident Indiv. Summer	183
Resident Family Special Pass	15
Resident Indiv. Special Pass	10
Noon Pass	180

<u>Admission Pass Fees</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Children</u>
<u>Winter</u>		
Weekdays	\$2.00	\$1.00
Weekends	2.50	1.50

Summer

Weekdays	3.00	1.50
Weekends & Holidays	3.50	2.00

Class and Swim Team Fees

Basic Swimming Class:	Passholder	\$24
	Non-Passholder	30
Exercise/Special	Passholder	35.50
	Non-Passholder	42
Swim Team Dues:	Passholder	\$20/month
	Non-Passholder	48/month
	Admission Passholder	38/month

Guest Fees

	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Children</u>
Summer	\$4.00	\$2.50
Winter	3.00	2.00

On motion of Councilman Robbins, duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote of all present, the Mayor and Council approved the new schedule for Redgate Golf Course and Municipal Swim Center.

Re: Decisions and instructions to staff re: Street Closing and Abandonment Application, SCA-53-88, Mayor and Council of Rockville, Applicant, requesting the abandonment of a sixteen foot alley between First Street and Joseph Street.

Councilwoman Hovsepian asked where the new entrance was going to be. Mr. Kuckkahn responded that the new entrance was going to be from First Street.

On motion of Councilman Robbins, duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote of all present, the staff was instructed to prepare the necessary legal documentation to grant Street Closing and Abandonment Application, SCA-53-88.

Re: Decisions and instructions to staff re: Annexation Petition, X-104-87, J and B Company, Applicant, requesting the annexation of 1.6 acres of land along the northeast corner of Mason Drive and Southlawn Lane

and placement in the I-1,
Service Industrial Zone.

On motion of Councilwoman Hovsepian, duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote of all present, the staff was instructed to prepare the necessary legal documentation to grant Annexation Petition X-104-87 in the I-1 Zone.

Re: Decisions and Instructions to
staff re: Text Amendment
Application, T-61-84, Planning
Commission of Rockville,
Applicant, proposing to amend
the text of the zoning and
planning ordinance, to add a
number of uses to the C-1, Local
Commercial Zone.

Councilwoman Hovsepian questioned the need to have a store carrying computers or video equipment in the C-1 zoned areas. Acting Director of Planning Larry Owens noted that this was merely a clarification so that these particular stores would not be forced into a special category. Mayor Duncan noted that a store size of 2500 square feet would limit the size of the equipment sold. City Attorney Paul Glasgow suggested that he prepare an ordinance limiting store size to 2500 square feet. Mr. Owens stated that he would look into the matter to see if 2500 square feet is a sufficient size. If it is not, the ordinance can be adjusted.

On motion of Councilman Coyle, duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote of all present, the staff was instructed to prepare the necessary legal documentation to grant Text Amendment Application T-61-84.

Re: Adoption of Ordinance: AN
ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND
COUNCIL OF ROCKVILLE to
authorize the issuance and sale,
upon its full faith and credit,
of its general obligation bonds
in aggregate principal amounts

not to exceed eleven million dollars for the public purpose of (i) refunding a portion of the outstanding THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF ROCKVILLE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS OF 1984, Series A, Series B, and Series C; (ii) paying the costs incurred by the City in connection with the issuance of such bonds; and generally providing for the issuance, sale and delivery of such bonds.

Ordinance No. 5-88

On motion of Councilman Hovsepian, duly seconded, and passed by unanimous vote of all present, the ordinance was amended to reflect the changes presented by the bond counsel.

On motion of Councilwoman Robbins, duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote of all present, Ordinance No. 5-88, the full text of which can be found in Ordinance Book No. 13 of the Mayor and Council, to authorize the issuance and sale, upon its full faith and credit, of its general obligation bonds in aggregate principal amounts not to exceed eleven million dollars for the public purpose of (i) refunding a portion of the outstanding THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF ROCKVILLE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS OF 1984, Series A, Series B, and Series C; (ii) paying the costs incurred by the City in connection with the issuance of such bonds; and generally providing for the issuance, sale and delivery of such bonds, was adopted as amended by the Mayor and Council.

Re: Correspondence

1. R. McNeill, re MML Board candidacy
2. Marvin Katz, re neighborhood problem.

Mayor Duncan requested that a response be drawn up for his signature.

3. S. Curtis, re neighborhood problem solved.

Mayor Duncan requested that a response be drawn up for his signature.

4. MML, re Montgomery County Chapter meeting
5. Mr. and Mrs. Jankowski, re X-101, Scott Drive subdivision
6. Science and Technology Commission.

The Mayor requested more information on this, Mr. Kuckkahn noted that he had already responded and that a copy would be sent to the Mayor and Council.

Re: FYI

1. Lewis Avenue Sidewalk Progress Report.

On motion of Councilwoman Hovsepian, duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote of all present, the staff was instructed to assess immediately adjacent property owners for 50% of the costs and the City general Fund for 50% to complete the sidewalk project Councilwoman Hovsepian suggested that the staff contact those citizens who do not have aprons and ask if they would like to have them put in. Mr. Kuckkahn noted that since the City will be paying for 50% of the project, with the property owners paying the other 50%, it would be in the City's best interest to use concrete for these aprons, and that September would be a realistic completion date.

2. Child Care Task Force.

Councilman Robbins asked the status of the Child Care Task Force. The Mayor explained that when sufficient responses have been received the initial meeting will be scheduled.

3. Recommendation for City's Goal Setting Process.

Mayor Duncan asked when the advertising will begin for this Task Force. Mayor Duncan noted that a charge must be given to the Future Focus Task Force. Councilman Coyle suggested that for the Task Force to be successful it must contain a large number of citizens and not just have members from the business community, and that the Task Force have a more specific focus. Mr. Kuckkahn

suggested a six month time frame. He will clarify the description of the task force.

Re: New Business

1. The Mayor and Council approved several Work Session dates for the month of March. The schedule will be published soon.

2. Councilman Coyle suggested that the traffic problem on Watts Branch Parkway at Brookcrest Court be studied for the safety of children crossing.

3. Councilman Coyle suggested that a meeting be set up with the Chamber of Commerce.

Re: Executive Session

On motion of Councilwoman Hovsepien, duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote of all present, the meeting was closed for executive session for consultation with legal counsel.

Re: Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council in Executive Session, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m., to convene again in Work Session on Monday, February 29, 1988, at 7:30 p.m., or at the call of the Mayor.